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**In re Patent Application of** )

**NARAHARA et al.** )

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**For: ARRAYS OF NUCLEIC ACID AND METHOD** )  
**FOR DETECTING NUCLEIC ACID BY USING** )  
**ARRAYS OF NUCLEIC ACID** )

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above identified application as follows: